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BACKGROUND

Since the advent of the All Volunteer Armed Forces, the number of people in the Individual Ready Reserve (IRR) has declined. Since this reserve manpower pool is an important component of the U.S. Military, a new reserve program designed to attract IRR recruits directly is under consideration for testing in the Spring of 1978.

In its present form this program will involve:

- 12 weeks of summer active duty with full pay and benefits
- Ready reserve status for 6 years
- No further active duty requirement unless a national emergency is declared
- Opportunity to get first hand taste of active duty life for 12 weeks rather than a 3 year enlistment.

Since no information existed as to the possible level of interest this program might generate, the Department Of Defense commissioned Grey Advertising to conduct a study addressing this issue among young men 17-21 years of age.

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OBJECTIVES OF THE RESEARCH

The main objectives of this research were to:

- determine the <u>level of interest</u> in the basic IRR concept among young men 17-21 and describe the characteristics of the interest groups.
- examine the degree to which <u>parental attitude</u>
 influences sons' interest in IRR.
- examine the incremental effect of additional incentives
 on the basic IRR program.
- evaluate the potential <u>impact of</u> this IRR program on <u>other military recruitment</u> programs.

METHOD

HOW:

Telephone interviews using Random Digit Dialing Technique among a national probability sample of telephone households.*

WHO:

1,201 young men 17-21 years of age

536 - Work Force

199 - High School Juniors

196 - High School Seniors

270 - College Students

237 parents of high school juniors and seniors

WHEN:

September, 1977

^{*} See Technical Appendix for detailed description of Telephone Probability Sample.

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SAMPLE WEIGHTING

A multivariate weighting procedure was applied to the study sample

- to eliminate the telephone households bias,
- to make possible numerical projections based on available census data,
- to facilitate comparisons with data from previous studies where applicable.

Socio-demographic data from the completed interviews were weighted to the data from a study conducted for the U.S. Navy by Grey in 1976 among a comparable sample of young men.*

^{*} See Technical Appendix for comprehensive description of the weighting procedure.

DEFINITION OF PROSPECT GROUPS

Interviewing was conducted early September, 1977 and young men were classified on the basis of their status as of the previous April -- the past Spring school semester. The purpose of this was to determine interest in the IRR program during this past summer if it had been available.

This analysis, therefore, defines the key sub-groups by their status as of April, 1977:

- . High School Juniors
- . High School Seniors
- Work Force (employed or unemployed)
- . College Students
- . Parents of High School Juniors and Seniors

IRR CONCEPT STATEMENT AS USED IN TEST

Interest in IRR was measured against the following description of the Program:

"The new program involves going to about 12 weeks of military training during the summer. During this camp, enlistees would receive free room and board plus \$375 per month if single and \$425 per month if married. In addition, they have the opportunity to try military life on a short term basis.

At the end of the 12 weeks, volunteers would not be required to serve any further active duty; that is, no weekend and/or additional summer active duty. However, they would become part of the Individual Ready Reserves for a period of six years and would be subject to being called up for active duty in case of a National Emergency."

CRITERIA FOR MEASUREMENT OF INTEREST

Basis for Numerical Projections

For purposes of numerical projection (e.g., when estimates of potential accessions were calculated), the High Interest measure (Definitely Would Consider) was judged the most valid predictor. (See example below.)

Survey Estimate (Definitely Would Consider Enlistment in an Armed Service in next 12 mos.) Actual
Approximate Yearly
Accessions into
Armed Services

514,000*

445,000

* N.B. this figure includes applicants who might be rejected by the Services

Positive Propensity

When examining the data analytically, the group with "positive propensity" for IRR was defined as respondents who "Definitely" or "Probably Would Consider" participation. This is consistent with measurements traditionally employed in other enlistment research for DOD and provides a viable framework for examining response data within sub-groups.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Market Potential for the IRR Test Concept

The results of this study indicate that there is substantial body of interest among young men 17-21 years old in the direct enlistment IRR program concept. Our estimate of this potential is approximately 450,000 highly interested eligible young men.

We feel this estimate represents the outside limit of potential since it assumes 100% awareness among the eligible population. It is the nature of any survey such as this that all respondents are uniformly exposed to, and informed about the concept under study. That is to say, no one interviewed is left unaware of the Program. This is obviously not the "real world" situation. Therefore, in order to realize the potential for IRR demonstrated in this study, strong effort would have to be exerted to develop a cost-effective method of creating awareness of the program among the key interest groups. For instance, leads gathered by any individual service who are not accessed for active service in that branch could be transmitted to the IRR for follow-up. Another source for the leads might exist in the lists of high school seniors from several years ago who now comprise the current work force and college student groups.

A second limitation inherent in this type of study is that time parameters are telescoped. Reactions and responses are elicited immediately following exposure to the test subject. Some responses might be quite different if adequate time

for reflection on the ramifications of the program concept were ossole. For instance, many high school students and work force members favorable to the IRR concept do not, in fact, have a twelve week period available to them to commit to the program. In addition, one might ask how well is the fundamental combat training aspect of the program conveyed in a relatively short telephone interview? Description of the program is explicit about time commitments and benefits involved but does not elaborate on what "military training"/"military life" entails. Thus while one might question the literal projections of the study findings, there appears to be no doubt about the substantial potential of this Program.

The second major finding of this study was that across all interest sub-groups, the most frequently stated reason for interest in IRR was the opportunity to experience military life on a trial basis without a long commitment. This "testing the water" interest, though not a part of the direct enlistment concept as given, was important to some 40% of those highly interested in the Program. Thus IRR could serve as a new source of active enlistments for the Military.

The third key finding is the high level of interest among members of the work force -- both employed and unemployed. There was a belief prior to this study that employed members of the work force would represent relatively little opportunity for IRR. However, examination of occupational status of those employed reveals over half are unskilled laborers. It would appear that these men have only marginal employment status and are seeking an opportunity to overcome this situation.

Parents' Attitudes Toward IRR

A comparison of the attitudes of parents and their high school age sons towar IRR reveals a strong correlation between those with positive propensity for the program. That is, sons interested in IRR believe their parents would approve of and encourage their participation. This belief is corroborated by parents' stated likelihood to encourage participation by sons interested in the program.

The dependent status of high school juniors and to a lesser extent, seniors, underlines the importance of parental approval of their child's participation in <u>any</u> program, military or non-military. Therefore, recognizing the parents' strong role as influencers in their sons' life decisions, efforts should be made to assure this positive parental reaction to the direct enlistment IRR program.

Incremental Interest in IRR Program Created by Additional Incentives

Each of the additional incentives increases the percentage of those interested in IRR:

- . \$300 tuition
- . \$300 bonus
- . Two six-week training sessions
- . Paid refresher training

On an overall basis, incremental high interest is generated most strongly by two monetary incentives, \$300 tuition and \$300 bonus. This pattern holds for both the Work Force and High School sub-groups. For parents, paid refresher training and \$300 tuition have the highest interest appeal. DOD budget

considerations might render some of these incentives impracticable, but split training sessions, while not appearing to stimulate significant increase of interest, may be the only feasible way in which the potential for IRR can be realized. Theoretically, only the unemployed can give twelve weeks to a program of this nature. To draw solely from this group is, of course, not desirable. On the other hand, if the IRR program were in fact structured for split sessions, it would not be a deterrent but rather a moderate inducement to participation. Similarly, paid refresher training may prove to be a necessary component of the program if there is evidence that skills are not maintained for the duration of the reserve commitment. In that eventuality, the program's appeal would not be diminished, but possibly strengthened.

Effect of IRR on Other Enlistment Programs

When measuring interest in IRR and the degree of overlapping interest in other military enlistment, it is evident that IRR draws the greater proportion of its support from those without interest in other military services. Of the 4.8% with high interest in the IRR program, only 1.8% are also highly interested in other forms of military enlistment. The percent of those with interest in other military programs who are attracted by the four additional incentives actually decreases this proportion. As stated before, rather than depleting active enlistment, IRR might actually increase the number of accessions of the services through recruits' exercising their option to "go active" after basic training. High interest in IRR and other Reserve/National Guard options overlapped at only the 1% level.

I. MARKET POTENTIAL FOR THE IRR
TEST CONCEPT

- Size of Interest Groups
- Composition of Interest Groups
- Reasons for Positive/Negative Interest

FINDINGS: MARKET POTENTIAL

Size Of Interest Groups

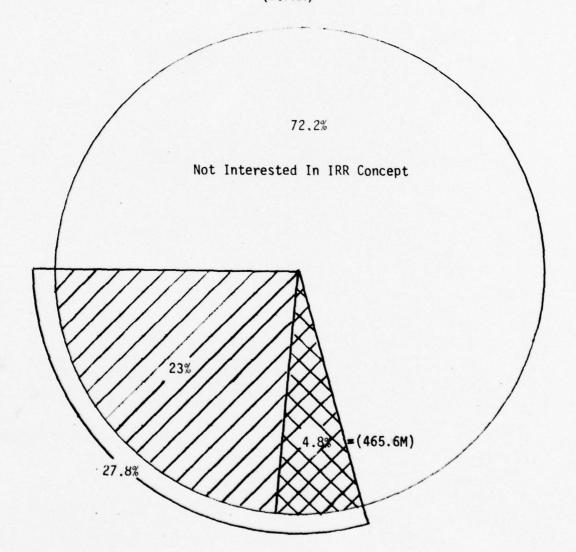
- Slightly over one-fourth (28%) of the eligible male population -- aged
 17 to 21 -- responded in a positive manner to the Basic IRR Program
 Concept --
 - "Definitely" or "Probably" would have considered participating if the program had been available last Spring.
- However, when looking at the more sensitive and realistic measure -"Definitely Would Consider" -- we find 4.8% of total eligible males
 (466,000) have a high interest in IRR.
- . Work Force and High School young men (especially High School <u>Juniors</u>) tend to have the most positive attitudes towards the IRR program. College students are considerably less interested.
- For a more realistic estimate of market potential, we have excluded that proportion of high school students whose parents were found to be negatively disposed to the IRR Program for their sons. This brings our calculation down to 4.6% or 446,000.
- Within the group with the highest potential for the IRR program the overwhelming majority (approximately 70%) are Work Force young men -- both employed and unemployed.

Chart 1

POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR BASIC IRR CONCEPT AMONG TOTAL ELIGIBLE POPULATION



Total Eligible Population*
(9.7MM)

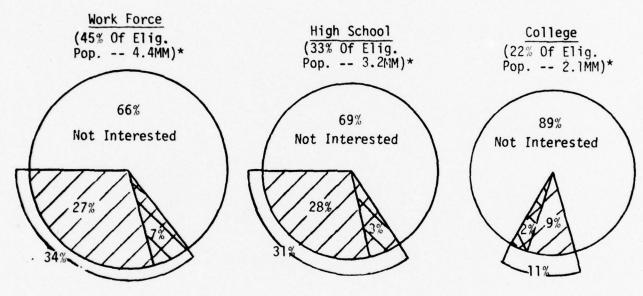


* Males 17-21 Excluding Those Currently In Military Source: U.S. Bureau Of The Census 1975

Chart 2

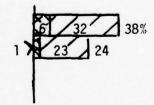
POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR BASIC IRR CONCEPT AMONG ELIGIBLE SUB GROUPS





High School

Juniors (17% Elig. Pop.) Seniors (16% Elig. Pop.)



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Chart 3

COMPOSITION OF POTENTIAL IRR RECRUITING MARKET

College 22%			
High School			
Solimo	(27.8%)		
Work Force		Force 3.2 Scnool 1.0 rs9 (4.8%)	Force 3.2 School 0.785 rs7 (4.6%) rs085
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TOTAL ELIGIBLE POPULATION 100% (9.7MM)	ANY INTEREST IN IRR (2.7MM)	HIGH INTEREST IN IRR (465.6M)	TOTAL PROSPECTS* (446M)

* Excluding High School Juniors and Seniors Whose Parents Would Discourage Participation

FINDINGS: MARKET POTENTIAL

Composition Of Interest Groups

Composition of Positive Propensity Group

- . The work force represents the single largest sub-group among those with a positive propensity for the IRR program (54%) -- significantly larger than their actual forty-five percent proportion of the eligible male population.
- . High School students also represent a strong interest sub-group in that over one-third (37%) of all young men with a positive propensity for IRR are current high school juniors or seniors.
- . The college sub-group is the smallest of the total interested in IRR.

 Only 9% have a positive propensity, while their proportion in the population is approximately 22%.

Demographic Characteristics -- Those With Positive Propensity vs. Others

A comparison of personal and household demographic data reveals the positive propensity segment to be differentiated from "all others" on the following characteristics:

Personal Demographics -- They have lower education expectations and, for those working, tend to be more often employed as unskilled blue collar workers. They are also more likely to be black than the non-positive propensity group.

- Household Demographics -- Heads of households among the positive propensity group are less upscale in terms of education, income and occupation.
 - -- fewer college-educated
 - -- fewer employed in white collar jobs, particularly professional and managerial positions
 - -- lower income -- fewer earning \$20,000 and over
- Composition of Work Force -- Work Force young men with positive propensity for IRR exhibit the following characteristics:
 - -- over three-quarters are single
 - -- two-thirds occupy the 19-21 age range
 - -- a higher proportion are unemployed than those not interested in IRR. Of those employed, nearly half are unskilled "blue collar" workers
 - -- one-quarter are non-white

SUB GROUP COMPOSITION OF THOSE WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS

(Base: Total In Each Group)

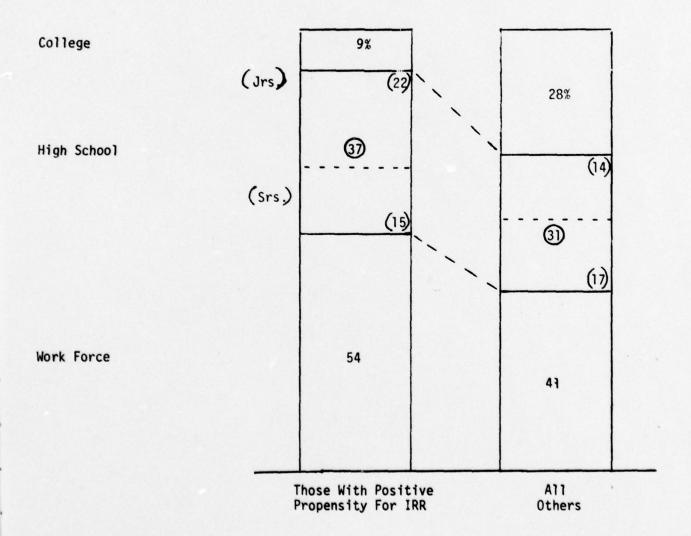
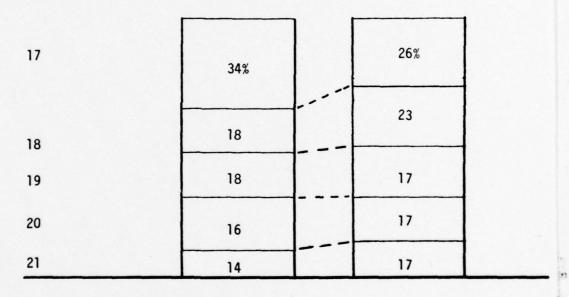


Chart 5

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)

AGE OF RESPONDENT



Those With Positive Propensity for IRR

All Others

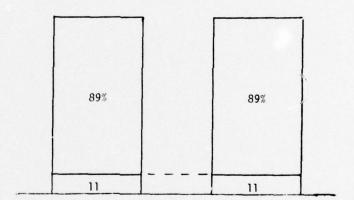
DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)



Single

Married



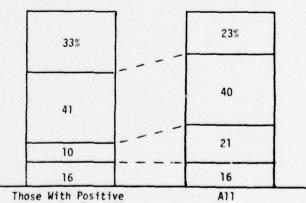
HIGHEST EDUCATIONAL LEVEL EXPECT TO COMPLETE

High School

College

Graduate School

Trade/Vocational/Other



Propensity For IRR

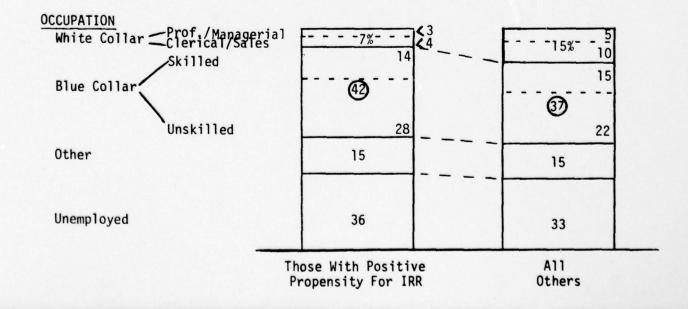
Others

Chart 7

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS (continued)

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)

EMPLOYMENT STATUS		 ,	
Employed Full-Time	38%	37%	
Employed Part-Time	26	 30	
Unemployed	36	33	



HOUSEHOLD DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)

-	Under 25	15%		20%	
-	25 - 39	15		8	
-	40 - 49	40		37	
-					
_	50 - 64	26		32	
	65 and Over	4			(3
-					
-					
_	LAST GRADE COMPLETED BY HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD				
	Eighth Grade Or Less	16%		11%	
-				18	
-	Some High School	30		35	
-	Completed Wigh School	37		33	
-	Completed High School	3/			
_	Some College/Completed College	17		36	
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Propensity For IRR

Others

AGE OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD

Chart 9

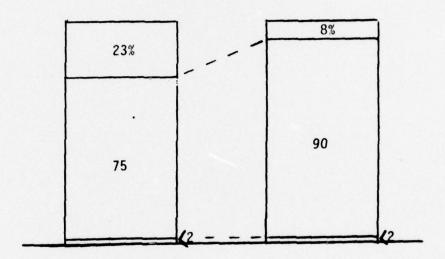
HOUSEHOLD DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS (continued)

RACE

Black

White

Other

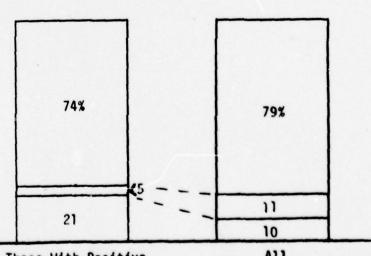


MARITAL STATUS

Married

Single

Divorced/Widowed/Separated



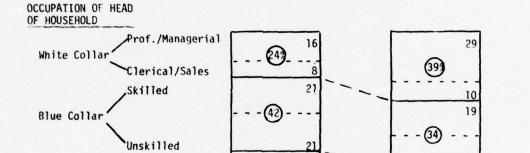
Those With Positive Propensity For IRR

All Others

Chart 10

HOUSEHOLD DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS

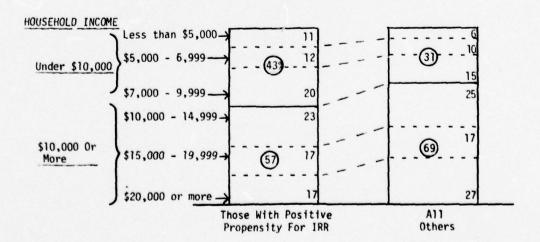
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Service/Military/Retired Homemaker /Unemployed/ Disabled/Student



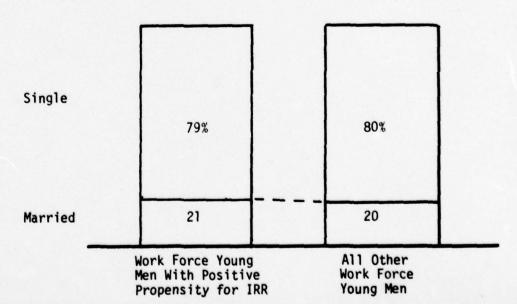
DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF WORK FORCE YOUNG MEN WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS

(Base: Total in Work Force)

AGE

17	22%		19%	
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19	23		22	
20	22		22	
21	24		25	

MARITAL STATUS

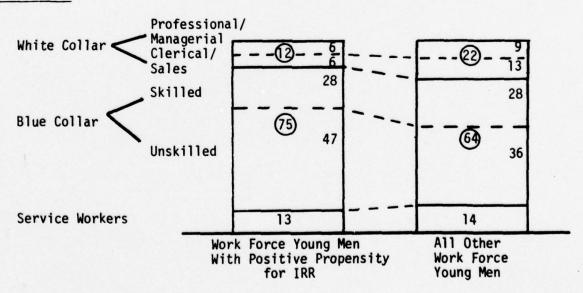


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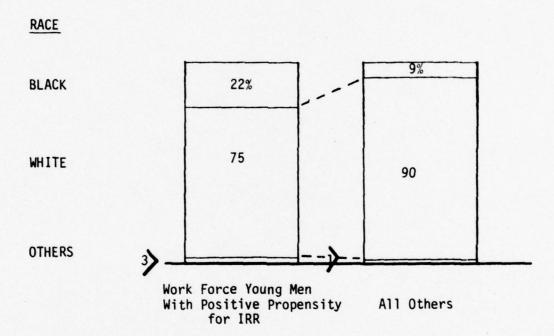
EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Employed Full-Time	52%		63%	
Employed Part-Time	18		17	
Unemployed	30	,	20	

OCCUPATION



DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF WORK FORCE YOUNG MEN WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR VS. OTHERS



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FINDINGS: MARKET POTENTIAL

. Reasons For Positive/Negative Interest

Reasons for Interest in Participation in IRR "Last Summer"

Positive reactions to the IRR concept can be attributed primarily to the following reason:

 - <u>Chance to see what Service is like</u> (i.e., the temporary nature of the commitment; no long enlistment period.

Somewhat less frequently expressed reasons were:

- Interest in the Services/Patriotism
- Job and Income Benefits

While there was general agreement on these reasons by young men in each of the key analytical sub-groups, High School Juniors and Seniors were stronger in their perception of the benefits of trial exposure to military life.

Reasons for Negative Reactions to the IRR Program "Last Summer"

Negative reactions to the IRR concept were based primarily on a disinterest in, and to some extent, dislike of the military/military life.

Further reasons for lack of interest were:

- Have a job/plan on working
- Have other plans
- Still going to school
- Family/personal reasons (needed at home, want to stay in town, etc.)

The analysis was basically designed to measure interest in the IRR program if it had been available during the "last summer". However, information was also obtained from young men regarding interest in the program next summer.

A comparison of interest in the IRR in terms of last summer vs. next summer evealed very small differences; that is, the levels of interest among most of the key analytical sub-groups were virtually the same from "last" to "next" summer. The major exception was among high school juniors who anticipate being less apt to consider IRR after their senior year than they were after their junior year. This tends to corroborate the finding that seniors show considerably interest in IRR than do juniors.

Reasons for considering participation in the program were the same though at slightly higher levels for last summer versus next summer. Negative sentiments about military/military life lead the reasons for <u>not</u> considering participation "last summer". Reasons for <u>not</u> considering participation "next summer" reflect optimism about the future employment situation (i.e., don't need job/income).

No Interest in IRR

How Many and Who -- A relatively small group of young men (11%) have absolutely no interest in the IRR program -- Basic Concept or Additional Incentives ("Definitely Would Not Consider" to all questions).

Based on total eligible young men, it would seem that this "Not At All Interested" group is fairly evenly distributed across Work Force, High School and College.

What Would It Take? -- The answer given most often (60%) was "nothing/no inducement possible/would not go in any event".

At a far lower level, answers were:

- More money/benefits (21%)
- Choice of job training/shorter period (9%)

Chart 14

OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY LIKELY TO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN IRR LAST SUMMER

(Base: Eligible Young Men With Positive Propensity in Each Group)

	Work Force	High Jrs.	School Srs.	College %
CHANCE TO SEE WHAT SERVICE IS LIKE (NET)	<u>38</u>	46	52	34
Temporary/not have to spend 3 years See what service is like Find out if he likes service No commitment/can get out	14 14 7 7	12 10 23 10	19 16 25 13	12 8 10 9
JOB/INCOME BENEFITS (NET)	22	<u>36</u>	23	<u>25</u>
For the money Would provide a job Get benefits Hard to find a job School benefits	12 7 5 1	16 10 5 4 3	10 4 6 2 2	19 7 2 2
INTEREST IN SERVICE/PATRIOTISM (NET)	21	19	10	24
Interest in Armed Services Would have served country Would be ready in emergency Father/relative in service	9 8 5 1	10 5 5	2 2 6 -	7 11 2 4
MISCELLANEOUS				
Program sounds good Something to do	13 8	11 7	10 19	13 5

OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY LIKELY TO

PARTICIPATE IN IRR $\underline{\text{NEXT}}$ SUMMER

(Base: Eligible Young Men With Positive Propensity in Each Group)

	Work Force	High S Jrs.	Srs.	College %
CHANCE TO SEE WHAT SERVICE IS LIKE (NET)	21	42	46	26
See what service is like Temporary/not have to spend 3 years Find out if like service No commitment/can get out	7 7 5 3	10 1 27 10	13 13 21 2	9 1 17 -
JOB/INCOME BENEFITS (NET)	16	21	<u>25</u>	28
Would provide a job Hard to find a job For the money Get benefits School benefits	3 3 9 1	7 - 11 1 3	6 19 4 2	21 - 2
INTEREST IN SERVICE/PATRIOTISM (NET)	8	4	_8	6
Interest in Armed Services Would have served country Would be ready in emergency Father/relative was in service	4 1 3 1	3 - 1 -	6 4 -	3 2 - 1
MISCELLANEOUS				
Program sounds good Something to do	8 9	8 12	10 10	4 9

^{*} Less than 0.5%

OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY NOT LIKELY TO HAVE PARTICIPATED IN IRR LAST SUMMER

(Base: Total In Each Group Negative to IRR Concept)

	Work Force	High S Jrs.	chool Srs.	College
	%	%	%	%
DON'T LIKE MILITARY SERVICE/LIFE (NET)	<u>44</u>	<u>32</u>	<u>39</u>	44
Don't believe in military Wouldn't like military life Not interested in Armed Services Heard bad things about services Only go if emergency No reason to go/no war Encourages low morals	8 13 19 2 5 1	3 8 22 4 2 3 1	6 11 18 1 1	5 13 20 3 3 *
DON'T NEED A JOB/INCOME (NET)	42	31	32	<u>37</u>
Have a job Plan on working Would interfere with career Not enough money	27 8 4 5	16 9 4 2	18 7 5 6	18 8 8 7
FAMILY/PERSONAL REASONS (NET)	20	11	<u>16</u>	10
Needed at home Want to stay in town Don't raise family on base Plan to marry Wouldn't accept me	8 5 - 6 4	5 6 - 1	5 5 - 1 5	3 3 1 1 3
STILL IN SCHOOL/TOO YOUNG (NET)	10	25	20	<u>25</u>
Still going to school Too young	9 1	23 9	22 1	25
MISCELLANEOUS				
Have other plans Prefer other service program Don't want to be enlisted 6 years Don't have time Have to know more about it	11 5 2 2 1	20 2 3 1 3	16 2 7 3 1	13 * 5 3 1

^{*}Less than 0.5%

OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY NOT LIKELY TO PARTICIPATE IN IRR NEXT SUMMER

(Base: Total in Each Group Negative to IRR Concept)

	Work Force	High S Jrs.	Srs.	Colle
	%	%	313. %	%
DON'T NEED A JOB/INCOME (NET)	<u>52</u>	<u>47</u>	32	41
Have a job Plan on working Would interfere with career Not enough money	31 12 6 4	14 24 7 2	24 17 4 5	16 14 8 5
DON'T LIKE MILITARY SERVICE/LIFE (NET)	28	16	· <u>26</u>	27
Not interested in Armed Services Wouldn't like military life Don't believe in military Only go if emergency Heard bad things about service No reason to go/no war Encourages low morals	10 7 6 3 2 *	10 2 4 1	16 6 3 1 -	11 8 6 2 1
FAMILY/PERSONAL REASONS (NET)	23	11	11	_7
Needed at home Want to stay in town Plan to marry Wouldn't accept me	10 5 7 3	3 6 2	3 4 1 4	4 1 2 1
STILL IN SCHOOL/TOO YOUNG (NET)	11	<u>36</u>	29	28
Still going to school Too young	11	36	28 1	28
MISCELLANEOUS				
Have other plans Prefer other service programs Don't want to be enlisted 6 years Don't have time Have to know more about it	11 2 2 1 1	24 2 1 2 3	16 3 4 5 3	14 1 2 2 3

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Chart 18

LIKELIHOOD OF PARTICIPATION IN IRR LAST SUMMER VS. NEXT SUMMER

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)

High Interest
Moderate Interest

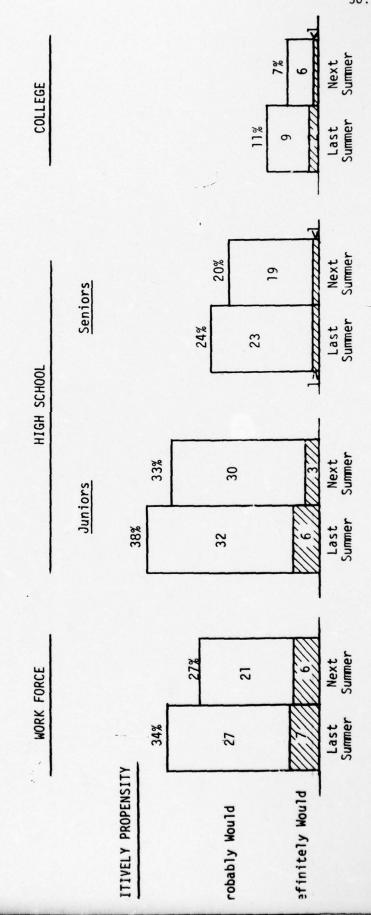


Chart 19

ELIGIBLE YOUNG MEN WITHOUT ANY PROPENSITY FOR IRR

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)

	TOTAL ELIGIBLE YOUNG MEN
BASE: No.	1,202 100 %
Total Not At All Interested In IRR Program *	<u>11</u>
Work Force	<u>5</u>
High School	<u>3</u>
- Juniors - Seniors	1 2
College	<u>3</u>

^{* &}quot;Definitely would <u>not</u> consider" -- Basic Program And/Or Additional Incentives

Chart 20

WHAT IRR PROGRAM WOULD HAVE TO OFFER TO CREATE INTEREST

(Base: Eligible Respondents Who "Definitely Would Not Consider" Concept Or Any Proposed Additional Incentives)

NOT INTERESTED: No.	136 100 %	(11% Of Total Sample)
SALARY/MONETARY BENEFITS (NET)	21	
Offer more money Offer more benefits Offer better school benefits Pay more than I make now	12 4 4 3	
TRAINING CAMP/ENLISTMENT PERIOD (NET)	9	
Offer choice of job training Shorten training period Drop the 6 year active duty	4 3 3	
REDUCE MILITARY DISCIPLINE (NET)	3	
More relaxed uniform standard Be able to drop out if dissatisfied	2	
OTHER		
No inducement possible/would not go in any event	<u>60</u>	
Don't Know	7	

II. THE ROLE OF PARENTS IN SONS' DECISION
TO PARTICIPATE IN THE IRR PROGRAM

- Parents' Attitudes -- as perceived by sons, and actual
- Reasons Why Likely or Not Likely to Encourage Sons' Participation

FINDINGS: PARENTS' ATTITUDES TOWARDS IRR

Sons' Perceptions of Parents' Attitudes

Sons in high school who have a positive propensity for the IRR program tend to feel that their parents would also be positive toward the program (78%). On the other hand, sons negative to IRR do not necessarily feel that they and their parents are as fully in agreement. That is, they tend to perceive their parents as being more evenly distributed in terms of positive (35%), negative (45%) and neutral (20%). Apparently, those who are positively disposed toward the program feel the need to reinforce their opinions with parental approval more than those with negative attitudes towards IRR.

Parents' Actual Attitudes

When high school sons are positive toward IRR, their parents tend to be positive about the IRR program, though not to the extent that their sons perceive (63% vs. 78%). This is generally the case among both parents of juniors and parents of seniors. However, parents of high school seniors with positive propensity for the program are more likely to encourage their sons to participate since they actually tend to be more positive than parents of interested high school juniors (81% vs. 74%).

Why Likely to Encourage Participation

Parents are generally in agreement with their sons in terms of reasons for favorable reactions to the IRR concept. Positive responses given most were related to:

- Job, Education and Income Benefits
- Interest in Armed Services/Patriotism

Fathers tend to be more interested in the Armed Services aspect (40%) while mothers are more concerned about education benefits (34%) that might be available.

Parents of juniors and parents of seniors are virtually the same with regard to reasons for positive reactions to the program.

Why Not Likely to Encourage Participation

Once again, parents (fathers and mothers) tend to agree with their sons on the negative aspects of the IRR program -- the military/military life, interference with a job, still going to school, plus the fact he is too young.

However, the negative aspects of <u>still going to school</u> and he is <u>too young</u> become far stronger among parents of high school junior than among parents of high school seniors.

	Paren	ts of Juniors	Parents of Seniors
-	Still in school	48%	39%
-	Too young	18	6

No Interest in IRR

Only four percent of all parents are absolutely against the IRR concept -- Basic and Additional Incentives, and for these fathers and mothers, there are no further incentives that would change their minds.

PARENTS' OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY LIKELY TO

ENCOURAGE SONS' PARTICIPATION IN IRR

(Base: Parents With Positive Propensity for IRR)

	Total Parents	Fathers %	Mothers*
JOB/INCOME BENEFITS (NET)	28	22	<u>34</u>
School/education benefits Money/would have income Would provide a job Lots of benefits Hard to find a job	9 8 8 4 2	3 3 7 • 6 3	16 13 8 0
INTEREST IN SERVICE/PATRIOTISM (NET)	21	31	_5
Father/relative was in service Would have served country Would be ready in emergency	15 6 4	22 9 3	3 0 5
CHANCE TO SEE WHAT SERVICE IS LIKE (NET)	19	18	21
Temporary/not have to spend 3 years See what service is like Find out if he likes serve No commitment/can get out	9 9 3 2	6 9 3 3	11 8 3 0
MISCELLANEOUS			
Something to do Program sounds good	6 5	3 4	11 5

^{*}Small Base

PARENTS' OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY LIKELY TO ENCOURAGE SONS' PARTICIPATION IN IRR

(Base: Parents With Positive Propensity for IRR)

	Parents Total	of High School Juniors*	Seniors*
JOB/INCOME BENEFITS (NET)	28	24	28
Would provide a job School/education benefits Money/would have income Lots of benefits Hard to find a job	8 9 8 4 2	8 6 6 2 2	7 9 9 4 2
INTEREST IN SERVICE/PATRIOTISM (NET)	21	25	<u>19</u>
Father/relative was in service Would have served country Would be ready in emergency	15 6 4	19 6 4	12 5 4
CHANCE TO SEE WHAT SERVICE IS LIKE (NET)	<u>19</u>	16	20
Temporary/not have to spend 3 years See what service is like Find out if he likes service No commitment/can get out	9 9 3 2	8 8 0 0	9 7 5 4
MISCELLANEOUS			
Something to do Program sounds good	6 5	13 0	0

^{*} Small Base

PARENTS' OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY NOT LIKELY TO ENCOURAGE SONS' PARTICIPATION IN THE IRR

(Base: Parents Negative to IRR Concept)

	Total Parents %	Fathers %	Mothers*
STILL IN SCHOOL/TOO YOUNG (NET)	48	43	<u>52</u>
Still going to school Too young	44 13	42 10	46 17
DON'T LIKE MILITARY SERVICE/LIFE (NET)	29	<u>32</u>	<u> 26</u>
Not interested in Armed Services Heard bad things about services He wouldn't like military life Don't believe in military Encourages low morals/drugs	14 7 5 3 3	14 7 4 3 4	10 6 6 2 2
DON'T NEED A JOB/INCOME (NET)	18	<u>17</u>	<u>17</u>
He has a job Would interfere with career He would rather work Not enough money	11 5 3 2	12 4 1 1	10 6 4 2
FAMILY/PERSONAL REASONS (NET)	7	_7	_6
He is needed at home He wouldn't be accepted/	6	6	6
health reasons He plans to get married	1	0	2
MISCELLANEOUS			
Six year reserve commitment Prefer other service programs Has other plans Doesn't have time	7 5 4 2	4 6 6 1	10 2 2 2

^{*} Small Base

PARENTS' OPEN-END RESPONSES TO WHY NOT LIKELY TO ENCOURAGE SONS' PARTICIPATION IN IRR

(Base: Parents Negative to IRR Concept)

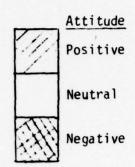
	Parents	of High Schoo	Students
	Total %	Juniors %	Seniors*
STILL IN SCHOOL/TOO YOUNG (NET)	<u>53</u>	<u>61</u>	42
Still going to school Too young	44 13	48 18	39 6
DON'T LIKE MILITARY SERVICE/LIFE (NET)	32	<u>26</u>	<u>36</u>
Not interested in Armed Services Heard bad things about services He wouldn't like military life Don't believe in military Encourages low morals/drugs	14 7 5 3 3	12 4 9 1 0	16 10 0 4 6
DON'T NEED A JOB/INCOME (NET)	18	12	24
He has a job Would interfere with career He would rather work Not enough money	11 5 3 2	6 3 3 0	15 8 2 4
FAMILY/PERSONAL REASONS (NET)	_7	4	10
He is needed at home He wouldn't be accepted/	6	4	8
health reasons He plans to get married	1	0	2 2
MISCELLANEOUS			
Six year reserve commitment Prefer other service programs Has other plans Doesn't have time	7 5 4 2	9 3 7 1	4 6 0 0

^{*}Small base

Chart 25

SON'S PERCEPTION OF PARENTAL ATTITUDE TOWARD PARTICIPATION IN IRR

(Base: Total Sons In Each Group)



PARENTAL ATTITUDE TOWARD IRR AS PERCEIVED BY SONS

Positive

Neutra₁

Negative

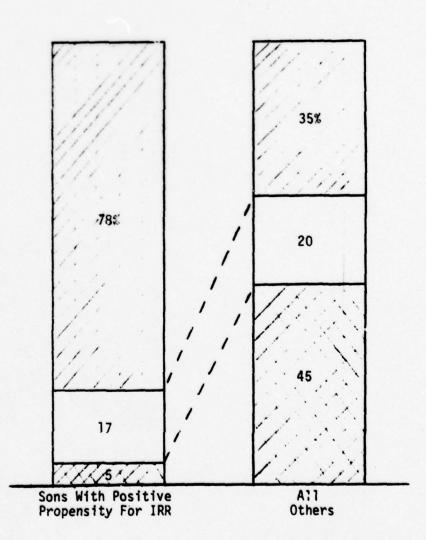
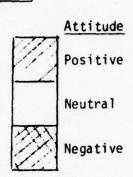
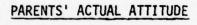


Chart 26

PARENTS' ACTUAL ATTITUDE TOWARD SONS' PARTICIPATION IN IRR

(Base: Total Parents Interviewed)





Positive

Neutral

Negative

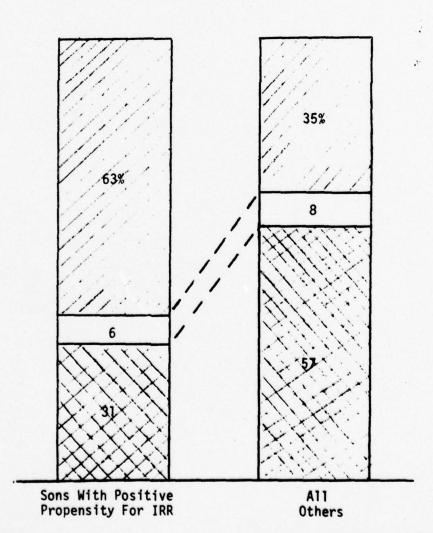


Chart 27

PARENTAL ATTITUDE TOWARD IRR AS PERCEIVED BY JUNIOR VS. SENIOR SONS

(Base: Total Sons In Each Group)

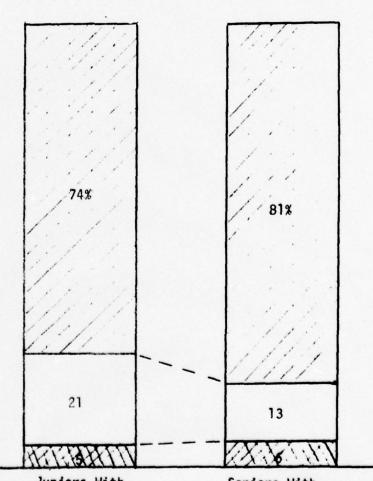
Attitude
Positive
Neutral
Negative

PARENTAL ATTITUDE TOWARD IRR AS PERCEIVED BY SONS

Positive

Neutra1

Negative



Juniors With Positive Propensity For IRR Seniors With Positive Propensity For IRR PARENTS' ACTUAL ATTITUDE TOWARD SONS' PARTICIPATION IN IRR - JUNIOR VS. SENIOR SONS

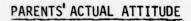
(Base: Total Parents of Each Group)

Positive

Attitude

Neutral

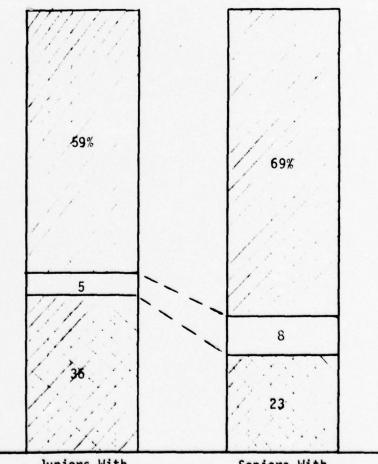
Negative



Positive

Neutra1

Negative



Juniors With Positive Propensity For IRR Seniors With Positive Propensity For IRR

Chart 29

PARENTS TOTALLY UNLIKELY TO ENCOURAGE SONS' PARTICIPATION IN IRR

(Base: Total Parents Of High School Students)

BASE: No.	PARENTS 237 100 %
Total Parents <u>Not</u> Interested In <u>IRR</u> <u>Program *</u>	4
Fathers <u>Not</u> Interested	2
Mothers Not Interested	2

These parents are definitely against their sons participating in the IRR program since the primary reponse to "What would the program have to offer..." was: NOTHING/WOULD NOT ENCOURAGE SON TO JOIN UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES.

^{* &}quot;Definitely would not encourage" -- Basic Program And/Or Additional Incentives

III INCREMENTAL INTEREST IN IRR PROGRAM
CREATED BY ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES

- Among Total Eligible Young Men
- Among Parents of High School Students

DESCRIPTION OF ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES

After respondents gave their opinions of the Basic IRR Concept, they were asked how they would feel about the program if various additional benefits were added.

Eligible young men and parents of high school students rated the IRR program with the inclusion of each of the following benefits:

- If a <u>cash enlistment bonus of about \$300</u> were offered
- If the 12 week training period were split into
 two 6 week sessions in two consecutive summers
- If education <u>tuition costs of about \$300 per year</u>
 for four years were offered
- If there were an option to participate in paid refresher training once or twice during the six year period

FINDINGS: EFFECT OF ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES

Among Total Eligible Young Men

The additional incentives tend to create incremental interest in the IRR program; however, it is primarily an increase in "moderate interest" rather than "high interest".

The two incentives which seem to create the greatest incremental high interest are \$300 tuition (+3% pts) and \$300 bonus (+2% pts).

Among Key Analytical Sub-Groups

The additional incentives create considerably more interest among the Work Force and High School students, than among College students.

<u>Work Force</u> -- These young men are most interested in the \$300 tuition incentive. "High Interest" is most affected by this incentive -- an increase of 3% (from 7% to 10%).

<u>High School</u> -- Two additional incentives -- \$300 bonus and \$300 tuition -- create a considerable increase in "High Interest" among high school students and particularly among juniors (+11% and +8% respectively).

<u>College Students</u> -- In terms of incremental "High Interest", the additional incentives have virtually no effect on the IRR program among this group.

Among Parents of High School Students

Generally, parents tend to be highly supportive of the IRR program in that their "High Interest" ratings ("Definitely Would Encourage") are very high on an absolute basis and when compared to ratings of their sons in High School. Furthermore, when asked about additional incentives, their interest in the program increased to an even greater extent.

They differ slightly from their sons in that the \$300 Bonus is relatively less important to them. The strongest additional incentive among parents is the \$300 tuition. (33% High Interest compared to 26%, 25% and 21% for other additional incentives.)

Chart 30

INTEREST IN IRR CONCEPT AND ADDITIONAL
INCENTIVES AMONG TOTAL ELIGIBLE POPULATION

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)



Basic IRR Concept	5 2	28%	
Additional Incentives			_
Paid refresher training	5	34	39
Two six-week sessions	6	33] 39
\$300 Bonus	7	33	40
\$300 Tuition	8	35	43

Chart 31

INCREMENTAL EFFECT OF ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES TO BASIC IRR CONCEPT ON WORK FORCE

(Base: Total Work Force)



Basic IRR Concept
Paid Refresher Training
\$300 Cash Bonus
Two Six-Week Sessions
\$300 Tuition Aid

1	27	34%
2	38	45
8	38	46
8	39	47
10	38	48

Chart 32

INCREMENTAL EFFECT OF ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES TO BASIC IRR CONCEPT ON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

(Base: Total High School Students)

High Interest

Moderate Interest

Basic IRR Concept

Two Six Week Sessions

Paid Refresher Training

\$300 Cash Bonus

\$300 Tuition Aid

	<u>Total</u>		
3	28	31%	
3	35		40
3	40] 45
10	35		<u> </u>
-10	35		7 45

Juniors

Seniors

Six	Week	Sessio	ns
Tui	ition	Aid	
Ref	resh	er Trai	ning
Cas	h Bo	nus	
	Tui Ref	Tuition Refresh	Six Week Session Tuition Aid Refresher Trai Cash Bonus

Basic IRR Concept

<u>£</u>	32	38%	
3/2	37	44	
38	38		19
\$	48		53
100/	39	,	53

3	33	36
8	32	40
4	31	35
6,	32	38

Chart 33

INCREMENTAL EFFECT OF ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES TO BASIC IRR CONCEPT ON COLLEGE STUDENTS

(Base: Total College Students)

Migh Interest Moderate Interest Basic IRR Concept 11% Paid Refresher Training 21 18 \$300 Cash Bonus 21 19 23 Two Six Week Sessions 21 \$300 Tuition Aid 30 27

Chart 34

INTEREST IN IRR CONCEPT AND

ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES AMONG PARENTS

(Base: Total Parents Interviewed)

High Interest Moderate Interest

Basic IRR Concept

Two six-week sessions

\$300 Bonus

Paid Refresher

\$300 Tuition

/ <u>///</u>	27	
25	23 48	
21	31	52
1/26/	36	6
///33	29	6

IV. RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN INTEREST IN

IRR AND INTEREST IN ARMED SERVICES
ENLISTMENT

- . Active Duty
- . Reserves or National Guard

FINDINGS: RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN IRR PROGRAM AND OTHER MILITARY OPTIONS

- Among young men with positive propensity for IRR, there is also a general interest in the Armed Services -- 63% expressed some interest in enlisting in any of the services. Strong interest in the services, however, is comparatively low (16%).
- . When viewing the overlap of strong interest in both IRR and Armed Services, we see that a third (35%) express High Interest in both. The proportion of this strong interest overlap tends to decrease with the additional incentives.
- . The overlap of interest between IRR and the Reserves or National Guard is only 18% for any interest and just 1% for high interest.
- The two additional incentives which would most likely increase the IRR pool while not creating more serious competition for the active Armed Services are \$300 tuition and \$300 bonus.

Chart 35

FOR IRR AND OTHER ARMED SERVICES

(Base: Total Eligible Young Men)



Positive Propensity for Enlistment in Other Armed Services Those With Positive Propensity for IRR

(No.: 334)
% 100

Interested in Any Services (Net)

Air Force

Army

Navy

Marine Corps

National Guard/Reserves

16	47	63%
7	28 35	
6	20 26	
4	22 26	
3	15 18	
1	17 18	

INTEREST IN IRR AND ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES RELATIVE TO OVERALL INTEREST IN MILITARY

Chart # 36

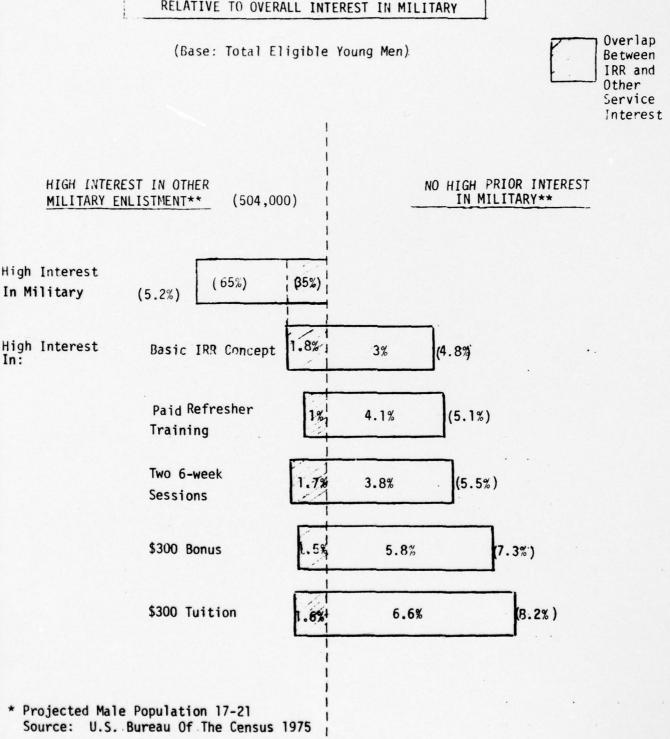
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- Prior to exposure to the IRR program concept, 5.2% of the young men interviewed expressed high interest in enlisting in any of the armed services in the next 12 months. After exposure to the IRR Concept, 35% of these young men were also definitely likely to consider participation in the basic IRR program.
- Second Bar 4.8% of all young men in the study expressed high interest in the basic IRR concept. Only 1.8% of these prospects had overlapping interest in other military enlistment. The interest of 3% was concentrated exclusively in the basic IRR concept.
- The introduction of each additional incentive resulted in incremental interest in the IRR program. For example, paid refresher training elicited high interest among 5.0% of respondents only 1% of whom had high interest in other Armed Services as well.

 (Bar 3) Each of the succeeding bars can be interpreted in the same manner.

Chart 36

INTEREST IN IRR AND ADDITIONAL INCENTIVES
RELATIVE TO OVERALL INTEREST IN MILITARY



^{**} Prior To Hearing About IRR Concept

CONCLUSIONS

WHAT IS THE MARKET POTENTIAL FOR THE BASIC IRR CONCEPT AND WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INTEREST GROUPS?

The estimated maximum potential for the basic direct enlistment IRR program is approximately 446M young men -- 4.6% of the male population 17 to 21 years of age.

		% of Population	No. of Young Men
•	Total young men (17-21)	100%	9.7MM
-	Have moderate interest in II (Definitely or Probably would consider)		2.7MM
-	Have high interest in IRR (Definitely would consider)	4.8%	465.6M
-	High interest among work force and college plus high school students whose parent would not disapprove	ts 4.6%	446M

WHAT IS THE MARKET POTENTIAL? (Continued)

Work Force young men represent the large majority of the high potential prospects for the program. High School Juniors and College students also represent potential but to a much lesser extent.

	% of Strong IRR Potential
Work Force	70
High School Juniors	15
College Students	13

WHAT ARE HIGH SCHOOL PARENTS' ATTITUDES TOWARDS THE IRR PROGRAM AND TO WHAT EXTENT DO THEY AGREE WITH THE SONS'?

Parents tend to agree with their sons who have a positive propensity for the program and, in general tend to have favorable attitudes towards the IRR concept.

- 63% of parents whose sons have a positive propensity for the program are also positive
- only 4% are definitely against IRR under all circumstances

WHAT IS THE EFFECT OF ADDITIONAL BENEFITS/INCENTIVES ON INTEREST IN THE IRR PROGRAM?

All measured incentives increased interest in the IRR program.

However, the one which was most effective against all target

sub-groups was \$300 Tuition Aid. This would produce an additional

market of almost 400M young men.

	Incremental Strong Interest				
	Percentage Pts.	No. of Young Men			
Work Force	+ 3	+ 132M			
High School	+ 7	+ 224M			
Juniors Seniors	(+ 8) (+ 5)	(138M) (86M)			
College	+ 1	+ 21M			
TOTAL		+ 377M			

ADDITIONAL TABLES

- Demographic Characteristics of Positive
 Propensity Sub-Groups
 - . Personal
 - . Household

WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL IMPACT OF THE IRR PROGRAM ON OTHER MILITARY RECRUITMENT PROGRAMS?

About a third of those highly interested in the IRR concept were also highly interested in other forms of military enlistment. But since about the same proportion indicates its interest in IRR relates to the opportunity it provides to try military life, it is conceivable many of these recruits might opt for active service after IRR training. There is almost no overlap between interest in IRR and interest in the Reserves/National Guard.

- 35% of those with high interest in IRR have high interest in other forms of military enlistment.
- Approximately 40% of the high propensity group gave as their reason for interest in IRR "a chance to see what military life is like".
- Only 1% express high interest in both IRR and Reserves/National Guard.

Chart 37

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF ELIGIBLE YOUNG MEN WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR BASIC IRR CONCEPT

(Base: Eligible Young Men Who Definitely or Probably Would Participate)

	Total %	Work Force	College*	High S Jrs.	Srs.*
AGE OF RESPONDENT	~	~	~		
17	34	22	•	81	21
18	18	9	13	12	62
19	18	23	22	6	15
20	16	22	52	1	2
21	14	24	13	-	-

^{*} Small bases

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF ELIGIBLE YOUNG MEN WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR BASIC IRR CONCEPT (continued)

(Base: Eligible Young Men Who Definitely Or Probably Would Participate)

POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR

		TOSTITUE TROP	THOU THE THE	-
MARTIAL STATUS OF RESPONDENT	Total %	High School	Work Force	College %
Married Single	11 89	NA	20 80	3 97
EDUCATION OF RESPONDENT (Highest Level Expect To Complete)				
High School Some College College Graduate School Trade/Vocational Other	33 8 33 10 10 6	40 7 33 10 9 1	34 9 30 5 12 10	12 48 34 -
EMPLOYMENT STATUS OF RESPONDENT				
Employed Full-Time Employed Part-Time Unemployed	38 26 36	25 29 46	52 18 30	12 55 33
OCCUPATION OF RESPONDENT				
White Collar	7	<u>2</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>15</u>
Professional/Managerial Clerical/Sales	3 4	- 2	8 -	10 5
Blue Collar	42	32	<u>52</u>	23
Skilled Unskilled	14 28	6 26	20 32	12 11
<u>Other</u>	15	<u>20</u>	10	29
RACE				
Black White Other	23 75 2	24 74 2	22 75 3	25 75 -

Chart 39

HOUSEHOLD DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF ELIGIBLE YOUNG MEN WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR BASIC IRR CONCEPT

(Base: Eligible Young Men Who Definitely Or Probably Would Participate)

POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR

AGE OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD	Total %	High School	Work Force	College %
Under 25 25 - 34 35 - 39 40 - 44 45 - 49 50 - 54 55 - 64 65 and over	15 3 12 24 16 19 7	1 2 15 31 16 21 7	25 4 11 19 15 16 7	9 - 7 18 24 31 8 3
LAST GRADE IN SCHOOL COMPLETED BY HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD				
8th Grade or Less Some High School Completed High School Some College Completed College	16 30 37 10 7	14 29 31 15	19 34 37 6 4	9 9 48 18 16

Chart 40

HOUSEHOLD DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF ELIGIBLE YOUNG MEN WITH POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR BASIC IRR CONCEPT (continued)

POSITIVE PROPENSITY FOR IRR

		FUSITIVE PROFI	-NOTTE TON THE	-
OCCUPATION OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD	Total %	High School	Work Force	College %
				47
White Collar	24	<u>30</u>	<u>17</u>	47
Professional/Managerial Clerical/Sales	16 8	23 7	9	33 14
Blue Collar	42	<u>35</u>	<u>49</u>	<u>25</u>
Skilled Unskilled	21 21	20 15	23 26	14
<u>Other</u>	34			
Service/military/disabled Homemaker Unemployed Student	21 7 5 1	29 4 2 -	17 9 8 -	14 7 - 7
MARTIAL STATUS OF HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD				
Married Single Divorced/Widowed/Separated	74 5 21	84 2 14	70 6 24	60 10 30
HOUSEHOLD INCOME				
<u>Under \$10,000</u>	43	<u>45</u>	<u>43</u>	34
Less than \$5,000 \$5,000 - 6,999 \$7,000 - 9,999	11 12 20	8 13 24	14 11 18	13 17
\$10,000 Or More	<u>57</u>	<u>55</u>	<u>57</u>	66
\$10,000 - 14,999 \$15,000 - 19,999 \$20,000 or more	23 17 17	14 20 21	28 16 13	27 17 22

TECHNICAL APPENDIX

- Telephone Probability Sample
- Sample Weighting

TELEPHONE PROBABILITY SAMPLE

Sample cases were allocated to each state in direct proportion to the number of residences with telephones in each state. Within each state, telephone prefixes were selected with equal probability from a list containing all possible telephone prefixes and four-digit random numbers were then selected for each sample prefix.

The resulting increase in geographic dispersion adds accuracy to survey results. This system makes cluster sampling entirely unnecessary and tends to minimize the biases and sampling error inherent in cluster sampling. This procedure offers greater validity and accuracy in producing projectable survey results.

The use of random digits includes, in proper proportion, those households with unlisted numbers. Since this is a growing population segment and their attitudes and behavior may be different, it is essential that they be included in their proper proportion. In addition, and perhaps even more importantly, the random digit dialing method also includes households with new telephone numbers. Since directories are only published once a year and about twenty percent of the population move each year, this segment of the population could be missed with other methods of sampling.

SAMPLE WEIGHTING

The purpose of sample weighting is to make results more projectable by making them representative of the population of 17-21 year olds not in military service. Weighting in this study was necessary to:

- Adjust the high school, workforce and college samples quoted at 400 each to their proper proportion of the population.
- Correct for bias inherent in using telephone probability sample in lieu of an in-home national probability sample.

The weighting procedure consisted of adjusting the in-home completed questionnaires by the appropriate percentages as found in the 1976 Navy MTRI weighted demographic characteristics obtained from the screening interviews. Since this was a National Probability Study conducted in-home consisting of 73 PSU's (157 self-weighting clusters) in the U.S. including Alaska and Hawaii, the demographic characteristics of the sample represented the in-home population of 17-21 year olds. In addition, it was necessary to weight the on-campus sample to reflect their true portion of the 17-21 year old population.

IN-HOME SAMPLE

Discrepancies were adjusted by means of a multivariate weighting procedure.

The weighting is performed by Grey's Multivariate Sample Weighting and Balance program*. This technique is superior to successive unidimensional weighting since it finds a unique least square weighting solution which minimizes the amount of each respondents weight and retains the maximum statistical efficiency for the sample. Since the procedure also takes into account the natural covariance skews of population characteristics, crosstabulation results are more projectable than with unidimensional weighting.

The algorithm is an iterative procedure that consists of adjusting each characteristic successively until all characteristics are within a specified tolerance level. The procedure is to set up a multidimensional matrix representing all frequencies and perform the following procedures:

- Calculate marginal weights for the first demographic characteristic.
- Multiply those weights to all cell frequencies.
- Sum the marginal cell frequencies on all characteristics

The above is repeated for successive characteristics until each one has been completed one time. This represents an iteration. This convergent iterative sequence is repeated until no characteristic is differs by more than .049 of a respondent from the population proportion.

* For detailed description of the algorithm, see:

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IN-HOME SAMPLE (cont'd)

To determine the weight for each respondent, the weights for each characteristic for that respondent are multiplied together. This weight is then assigned for each respondent to use in the tabulation phase of the project.

TABLE 1

COMPARISON OF DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF COMPLETED QUESTIONNAIRES OF MALES 17-21 NOT IN MILITARY SERVICE FOR 1976 MTRI SURVEY VS 1977 IRR.

	1976 MIRI (WEIGHTED)	1977 IRR (UNWEIGHTED) **		WEIGHT
OCCUPATION HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD				
Professional/Managerial	22.42	35.74		0.6692
Clerical/Sales	8.61	10.21		0.8317
Skilled/Unskilled	37.54	37.14		0.9601
Other/Reject	31.43	16.92		1.9003
MARITAL STATUS HEAD OF HOUSEH Married Other/Reject HOUSEHOLD INCOME	77.48 22.52	77.28 22.72		1.1153 0.7140
Under \$7,000	17.12	11.01		1.2780
\$7,000 - \$9,999	13.01	9.81		1.1878
\$10,000 - \$14,999	19.12	16.22		1.2574
\$15,000 and over	32.73	44.94		0.7871
Reject	18.02	18.02		0.9395
RACE				
White	83.58	85.69		1.0176
Other	16.42	14.31	•	0.9224

^{**} Base = 999 for 1977 IRR

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	1976 MIRI (WEIGHTED)	1977 IRR (UNWEIGHTED)	WEIGHT
REGION			
East	17.62	23.92	0.8081
Central	33.43	31.53	1.0882
South	32.03	30.63	0.9347
West	16.92	13.91	1.2749
17 Years 18 Years 19 Years 20 Years 21 Years	27.83 22.02 17.62 16.52 16.02	29.03 20.42 17.32 16.12 17.12	1.0696 1.2349 0.9556 0.9059 0.7937
INSULTANT/INMENT			
Work Force	48.05	40.34	1.1967
College	16.72	19.02	0.9952
Elementary/High School	35.24	40.64	0.8033

**Base = 999 for 1977 IRR

ON-CAMPUS SAMPLE

Since the ratio of on-campus/off-campus was .31051.6895 in the 1976 MTRI, the 1977 IRR sample of 212 on-campus completed questionnaires needed to be weighted down to 74 to bring it in line with the 167 off-campus college interviews.

$$167/212 = .349$$

Since this down weighting of the on-campus sample reduced the number of weighted respondents to 1,067 or below the 1,201 interviewed respondents, it was necessary to further multiply all respondents by a weight of 1.12 in order to bring the weighted sample bas to 1,201.

$$\frac{1,067}{1,201} = 1.12$$

SUMMARY

The total completed questionnaires were 1,201 and were broken down as follows:

Total Unweighted	1,201
Basic In-Home Interviews	999
College On-Campus Interviews	212 Weighted To 74
College Not-On-Campus Interviews	190 Weighted To 167
999 + 74	= 1,073
Basic + Supplementary = Total	1 = 1,200

Weighting 1,073 to 1,200 resulted in a weight of 1.12.

This weight of 1.12 was applied to all respondents.

Non College	(999–167)	832	x	1.12 =	931	Respondents Weighted
College Not On Campus	(167)	167	x	1.12 =	187	Respondents Weighted
College On Campus	(212)	212	x .349 = 74 x	1.12 =	83	Respondents Weighted
					1,201	

QUESTIONNAIRES

- Screener
- Interview with Young Man
- Interview with Parent

9-13 8-9 CD1 14 Time Start: Time End: Zip: Date: (Number Screening Questionnaire YOUNG MEN'S STUDY State: (Pfx.) (A.C.) Telephone Number: Respondent Name: Interviewer: RICI #14-012 August, 1977 City:

ASK TO SPEAK TO MALE OR FEMALE HEAD OF HOUSEHOLD, WHICHEVER IS AVAILABLE. IF NEITHER AVAILABLE, ASK TO SPEAK TO OTHER ADULT 21 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER. INTERVIEWER:

Hello, I'm research company in Phoenix, Arizona. We are conducting a nationwide survey among young men to learn about their future job or career plans.

Are there any males in this household, including those temporarily away from home, who are in the 16-21 year age range? ;

)1 - (CONTINUE WITH Q.2a ON NEXT PAGE))2 - (TERMINATE) Yes

IF CALLBACK ARRANGED FOR DESIGNATED RESPONDENT, WRITE IN NAME BELOW:

RESPONDENT NAME:

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live me the names and ages of the males in the 16-21 year age range, starting with the Please include any that might be temporarily away from home. (RECORD BELOW ON GRID) oldest. 2a.

Marine Corps (ASK FOR EACH PERSON LISTED)

IS (READ NAME) currently in any Military Service such as Army, Navy, Air Force,
National Guard or any Reserve Unit? (RECORD BELOW) 30.

IF ALL CURRENTLY IN ARMED SERVICES. ASK Q.'S 20 THROUGH Q.2f SEPARATELY FOR EACH PERSON NOT MILITARY, SKIP TO Q.3a.

or away from home? (RECORD BELOW) Is (READ NAME) currently residing at home

Now, I'd like you to think about the last spring school semester or more specifically about the month of April -- Was (READ NAME) enrolled in any High School or College during that month? (RECORD ANSWER IN GRID AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS BELOW) 2d.

IF "NO" - CHECK "NOT ENROLLED" IN GRID BELOW AND SKIP TO 0.2f. FOR THIS PERSON, IF "YES" - ASK: "Is that high school or college" (RECORD ON GRID AND FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS BELOW.)

"Would you say that (FEAD NAME) was a full-time student taking 12 or more hours of class a week or a part-time student taking less than 12 hours of class a week?" (RECORD BELOW AND CONTINUE IF "HIGH SCHOOL" - CONTINUE WITH Q.2e.

IF "COLLEGE" - ASK: "Would you say t WITH 0.2e.)

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(RECORD BELOW) What (High School/College) grade was (READ NAME) attending last April?

part-time, during last April? (PECORD BELOW)

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Was (READ NAME) employed, full

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SELECTION RESPONDENT

FOR A FULL INTERVIEW MUST BE: THE RESPONDENT THAT QUALIFIES

17 - 21 YEARS OF AGE

* NOT CURRENTLY IN THE MILITARY

CURRENTLY RESIDING AT HOME

PRIORITY (SEE PRIORITIES #1-#3 ON PREVIOUS PAGE) (WAS JUNIOR OR SENIOR IN H.S. LAST APRIL) THEN WILL BE SELECTED ON THE BASIS OF "HIGH SCHOOL" 1 PRIORITY PRIORITY

(TOOK 12 OR MORE HOURS IN COLLEGE LAST APRIL) (IF NOT "HIGH SCHOOL" OR "COLLEGE" BUT WAS EMPLOYED LAST APRIL.) WORK FORCE" "COLLEGE" 7 # 1 # PRIORITY

IF THERE ARE TWO OR MORE IN THE SAME CATEGORY (E.G., TWO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS). SELECT THE INDIVIDUAL TO BE INTERVIEWED AS DESIGNATED ON THE SECOND LINE IN THE BOX BELOW:

(label)

WRITE THE FIRST MAME OF THE RESPONDENT SELECTED AND INDICATE CATEGORY:

HIGH SCHOOL COLLEGE WOPF FORCE CATEGORY: NAME:

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Before going on, I'd like to ask you a few questions for classification purposes.	3a. In total, how many people including yourself live in this household? (WRITE IN NUMBER)	3b. How many are adults 24 years of age or over? (WRITE IN NUMBER) 3c. How many are young people 17-23 years of age? (WRITE IN NUMBER)	3d. How many are teenagers 13-16 years of age? (WRITE IN NUMBER) 3e. How many are children 12 or under? (WRITE IN NUMBER)	4. Is there a male head of this household?	Yes ()1 - (ASK ABOUT "MALE HEAD" IN Q.5a-5d) No ()2 - (ASK ABOUT "FEMALE HEAD" IN Q.5a-5d)	5a. Which of the following categories includes the age of the (male/female) head of (READ LIST)	Under 20 ()] 35-39 ()5 55-59 ()9 20-24 ()2 40-44 ()6 60-64 ()0 25-29 ()3 45-49 ()7 65 8 0ver ()X 30-34 ()4 50-54 ()8	5b. What was the last grade of school (he/she) completed?	8th grade or less ()1 Some college ()4 Some high school ()2 Completed college ()5 Completed high school ()3	5c. What kind of work does (he/she) do? (PROBE FOR DETAILS)	(KIND OF WORK) (TITLE)	5d. Is (he/she) married, single, divorced, widowed or separated?	Married ()1 Widowed ()4 Single ()2 Separated ()5 Divorced ()3

5-2 CDZ WRITE IN FIRST NAME OF RESPONDENT AND "X" APPROPRIATE CATEGORY: HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT COLLEGE STUDENT WORK FORCE Interview With Son YOUNG MEN'S STUDY RICI #14 -012 (OMB#22577008) INTERVIEWER: August, 1977

we need to give you the following information. This survey is being used to collect information to assist the Federal Government in evaluating and improving personnel problems. Information collected will be used for research and analysis purposes only. Your participation in this survey is strictly voluntary; however, your cooperation is most important for Under the Privacy Act of 1974 This survey is being sponsored by the Federal Government. the success of this vital study.

We are interested in learning about the various plans young men are considering for the next year or so. To do this I'd like you to write down a few words that you can use to give me your opinions. The phrases are: definitely would, probably would, probably would not, and definitely would not.

RESPONDENT:
WROTE DOWN PHRASES
DID NOT WRITE DOWN PHRASES (

(IF RESPONDENT DID NOT WRITE DOWN PHRASES, REPEAT PHRASES FOR EACH STATEMENT.)

Now, I would like you to tell me how likely you would be to consider each of the following possibilities -- Do you think you definitely would, probably would, probably would not or definitely would not? (READ EACH STATEMENT LISTED BELOW AND RECORD ANSWER IN APPROPRIATE BOX. START WITH RED "X" PHRASE. BE SURE TO READ ALL PHRASES.) 1b.

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Get a part time job	()	-		()	6
Continue your education (college)	()	()	^_	()	1.0
Travel abroad	· ·	^ `	<u></u>	^ _	1.1
Get married, if not already married			1	()	1.2
Move to another area of the country	^ `	^ •	()	^	13
Enlist in the Army	()	()	^	()	111
Enlist in the Navy	()	^ ·	0	^ _	1.5
Enlist in the Air Force		1		()	16
Enlist in the Marine Corps	^	()	^ _	^	1.7
Enlist in a National Guard or Reserve Unit	()	()	()	()	1.8

I'd like to get your opinion on a new program being developed by the reserve components of the armed services. This program involves going to about 12 weeks of military training during the summer. During this camp, enlistees would receive free room and board plus \$375 per month if single and \$425 per month if married. In addition, they have the opportunity to try military life on a short term basis. If you had known about this program last Spring, how likely would you have been to participate in the program during this summer? Do you think you definitely would have joined, probably would have joined, probably would have joined or definitely would not have joined? How likely would you be to participate in this program next summer? Do you think you definitely will join, probably will not join? duty; that is, no weekend and/or additional summer active duty. However, they would become part of the Individual Ready Reserves for a period of six years and would be subject to being called up for active duty in case of a National Emergency. At the end of the 12 weeks, volunteers would not be required to serve any further active no further active duty requirement unless a national emergency is opportunity to get a first hand taste of active duty life for 12 weeks rather than a three year enlistment - 12 weeks of summer active duty with full pay and benefits. Probably will not ()? Definitely will not ()] Probably would not ()2 Definitely would not [()] - ready reserve status for six years Considering all that is involved: do you feel that way? Why do you feel that way? Definitely would Definitely will Probably would Probably will August, 1977 RICI #14-012 Why 3b. 2a. 3a.

have would tiona	Now that you have given us your opinion of the program as originally designed, we'd like to know how you would feel if various additional benefits were added.	For each additional benefit I mention, please tell me how likely you would be participate in this special training program again using the phrases definitely would, probably would, probably would not, or definitely would not participate. (START AT RED "X").
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What would the program have to offer in order to make you interested in participating? (PROBE)

33-36 (ASK ONLY IF HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS)
How do you think your parents would feel about your participating in this Special Reserve
Program -- do you think they would definitely encourage you to join, probably encourage you
to join, probably discourage you from joining or definitely discourage you from joining?
(RECORD BELOW) ea.

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR COOPERATION!

5-3 YOUNG MEN'S STUDY August, 1977 (...3 \$22577008)

Interview With Parent Of High School Juniors/Seniors

Respondent I.D. Number: Name Of Son Who Was Interviewed:

Q.4.- Male Head Zip Code: Telephone Number A.C.

CALLBACK APPT./COMMENTS IMI NAH BUSY INTERVIEWER NUMBER DATE CALL lst 3rd 4th 2nd CALL RECORD

IF "YES", ASK TO SPEAK TO FATHER OF SON LISTED ABOVE. IF "NO", ASK TO SPEAK TO MOTHER OF SON LISTED ABOVE. CHECK ANSWER TO Q.4 ABOVE:

IF UNAVAILABLE, ARRANGE CALLBACK. CHECK PARENT INTERVIEWED: Father

(NAME OF SON) Hello, I'm from Research Information Center in Fhoenix, Arizona. We have been conducting a nationwide survey among young men, and we recently interviewed your son, (NAME OF We are conducting the survey to learn about the various plans that high school students have for the next year or so and their attitudes towards the options that may be available to them. We are also talking to the parents of these young men and would like to ask you a few questions.

This survey is being sponsored by the Federal Government. Under the Privacy Act of 1974 we need to give you the following information. This survey is being used to collect information to assist the Federal Government in evaluating and improving personnel problems. Information collected will be used for research and analysis purposes only. Your participation in this survey is strictly voluntary; however, your cooperation is most important for the success of this vital study.

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Interview With Parents Of High School Juniors/Seniors

We'd like to know how you would feel if (READ SON'S NAME) were considering various possibilities for the next year or so. That is, would you be in favor or against his considering these possibilities? For each statement I read, please tell me if you would be definitely in favor, probably against, or definitely against it as a possibility for (READ NAME) for the next year or so. (REPEAT SCALE FOR EACH STATEMENT AND RECORD ANSWER IN APPROPRIATE BOX. START WITH RED "X" PHRASE.)

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Get a new full time job Get a part time job Continue his education (college) Travel abroad	Get married, if he is not already married Move to another area of the country Enlist in the Army Enlist in the Navy	Enlist in the Air Force Enlist in the Marine Corps Enlist in a National Guard or Reserve Unit

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We are interested in hear-I'd like to get your opinion on a new program being developed by the reserve components of the armed services for young men who are 17 to 21 years of age. We are interested in hearing how you would feel about (READ SON'S NAME) participating in this program.

2a.

This program involves going to about 12 weeks of military training during the summer. During this camp, enlistees would receive free room and board plus \$375 per month if single and \$425 per month if married. In addition, they have the opportunity to try military life on a short term basis.

At the end of the 12 weeks, volunteers would not be required to serve any further active duty; that is, no weekend and/or additional summer active duty. However, they would become part of the Individual Ready Reserves for a period of six years and would be subject to being called up for active duty in case of a National Emergency.

Considering all that is involved:

- 12 weeks of summer active duty with full pay and benefits
- ready reserve status for six years.
- no further active duty requirement unless a national emergency is declared
- opportunity to get a first hand taste of active duty life for 12 rather than a three year enlistment.

If this program had been available to (READ SON'S NAME) last Summer, would you have definitely encouraged him to join, probably encouraged him to join, probably discouraged him from joining or definitely discouraged him from joining? (RECORD BELOW)

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Now that you have told us how you would feel about (READ SON'S NAME) participating in this special program as originally designed, we'd like '" know how you would feel if various additional benefits were added. ·

For each of the additional benefits I mention, please tell me if you would be definitely in favor, probably against or definitely against (READ SON'S NAME) participating in the program. (START WITH RED "X")

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If there were an option to participate in paid refresher training once or twice during the six year period	Ĉ		Ĉ	Ĵ	26

IF "DEFINITELY DISCOURAGE" IN Q.2a AND "DEFINITELY AGAINST" IN ALL PARTS OF Q.3, ASK Q.4. OTHERWISE, SKIP TO Q.5a.

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(READ SON'S NAME)

What would the program have to offer in order to make you in favor of participating? (PROBE)

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32-35 603 31 (ASK EVERYONE)
Finally, we'd like to know how you think your son (READ SON'S NAME) would have felt about joining the program if it had been available to him this summer. Do you think he definitely would, probably would, probably would not or definitely would not have considered participating in the program? Definitely would Probably would Probably would not Definitely would not Why do you think he would feel that way? Sb. Sa.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

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